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## TITLE OF THE INVENTION

Vehicle Data Recorder "VDR"

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## APPENDIX

Following are copies of patents considered to be relevant or related to the present invention.

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